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OF DRILLING FLUID FROM A SEALED MARINE RISER TO A FLOATING §

DRILLING RIG WHILE DRILLING

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connection with the above-identified patent application, be made of record therein, and that the listed document(s) be cited in the issued patent.

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